

United States Patent and Trademark Office



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCI United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

APPLICATION NO. FILING DATE		FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
10/815,729	10/815,729 04/02/2004		Ryutaro Kogawa	Q80818	9470
23373	23373 7590 08/14/2006			EXAMINER	
SUGHRUE MION, PLLC 2100 PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE, N.W. SUITE 800 WASHINGTON, DC 20037				TAYLOR, APRIL ALICIA	
				ART UNIT	PAPER NUMBER
				2876	
			DATE MAILED: 08/14/2006		

Please find below and/or attached an Office communication concerning this application or proceeding.

Application/Control Number: 10/815,729

Art Unit: 2876

DETAILED ACTION

1. Receipt is acknowledged of the Response filed May 23, 2006.

Response to Amendment

2. The reply filed on May 23, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): The reply filed on May 23, 2006 is a duplicate of the reply filed on November 09, 2005, which is responsive to the Office Action filed on August 09, 2005. The applicant is required to file a reply responding to the Office Action filed on February 09, 2006. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the abovementioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to April A. Taylor whose telephone number is (571) 272-2403. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday from 9:00AM - 5:30PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael G. Lee can be reached on (571) 272-2398. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Page 3

Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications may be obtained from either Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications is available through Private PAIR only. For more information about the PAIR system, see http://pair-direct.uspto.gov. Should you have questions on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free). If you would like assistance from a USPTO Customer Service Representative or access to the automated information system, call 800-786-9199 (IN USA OR CANADA) or 571-272-1000.

August 07, 2006

PRIMARY EXAMINES